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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
9	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
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11	JAMES HENRY FLOURNOY,	No. 2:23-cv-0711 KJN P	
12	Plaintiff,		
13	v.	<u>ORDER</u>	
14	MARIN COUNTY, et al.,		
15	Defendants.		
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17	Plaintiff, a county jail inmate proceeding pro se, filed a civil rights action pursuant to 42		
18	U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff filed an application to proceed in forma pauperis pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §		
19	1915.		
20	The federal venue statute provides that a civil action "may be brought in (1) a judicial		
21	district in which any defendant resides, if all defendants are residents of the State in which the		
22	district is located, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions		
23	giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of property that is the subject of the action		
24	is situated, or (3) if there is no district in which an action may otherwise be brought as provided in		
25	this action, any judicial district in which any defendant is subject to the court's personal		
26	jurisdiction with respect to such action." 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).		
27	In this case, the claim arose in Contra Costa County, which is in the Northern District of		
28	California. Therefore, plaintiff's claim should have been filed in the United States District Court		
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1	for the Northern District of California. In the interest of justice, a federal court may transfer a	
2	complaint filed in the wrong district to the correct district. See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a); Starnes v.	
3	McGuire, 512 F.2d 918, 932 (D.C. Cir. 1974).	
4	Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this matter is transferred to the United	
5	States District Court for the Northern District of California.	
6	Dated: April 20, 2023	
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8	KENDALL J. NEWMAN UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE	
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